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## PROBLEMS FOR SOLUTION.

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### ALGEBRA.

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200. Proposed by F. P. MATZ, Sc. D., Ph. D., Professor of Mathematics and Astronomy in Defiance College, Defiance, O.

No matter what value  $x$  be given, the *numerical* value of the expression  $(x+2)/(2x^2+3x+6)$  can never exceed  $\frac{1}{3}$ .

201. Proposed by H. B. LEONARD, B. S., Graduate Student, The University of Chicago.

Solve by quadratics:  $x+y+xy=75$ ;  $x^2-y^2=315$ .

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### GEOMETRY.

226. Proposed by W. J. GREENSTREET, A. M., Editor of The Mathematical Gazette, Stroud, England.

The triangles  $ABC$ ,  $A'B'C'$  are in plane perspective, and the corresponding sides  $BC$ ,  $B'C'$ , ..., cut in  $P$ ,  $Q$ ,  $R$ , respectively.  $AA'$ , ..., cut the line  $PQR$  in  $P'Q'R'$ , respectively. Show that  $(PP', QQ', RR')$  is an involution range.

227. Proposed by O. W. ANTHONY, Head of Mathematical Department, DeWitt Clinton High School, New York City.

Construct a parallelogram having given a side and the distances of its vertices from a given point.

228. Proposed by O. E. GLENN, A. M., Fellow in Mathematics, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, Pa.

Given a point  $O$  without a circle  $S$ ; two arbitrary lines through  $O$  cut  $S$  in the points  $A$ ,  $A'$ , and  $B$ ,  $B'$ , respectively. Prove, by pure geometry, that the four circles through  $OAR$ ,  $OBR$ ,  $OA'R'$ ,  $OB'R'$ , respectively, intersect in points collinear with  $O$ ;  $R$  and  $R'$  being points upon  $S$  arbitrarily chosen.

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### CALCULUS.

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179. Proposed by B. F. FINKEL, A. M., M. Sc., 204 St. Marks Square, Philadelphia, Pa.

Discuss the integrals of the equation  $x(1-x)w'' + [1 - (a+b+1)x]w' - abw = 0$  in the vicinities  $x=0$ , and  $x=1$ ; indicating the form for the latter vicinity when  $a+b=1$ . Also when  $1-a-b$  is an integer  $l$ . [From Forsyth's *Linear Differential Equations*, Ex. 6, p. 103].

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### DIOPHANTINE ANALYSIS.

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121. Proposed by L. E. DICKSON, Ph.D., Assistant Professor in Mathematics, The University of Chicago.

Find a formula for the solutions of  $x^2 + y^2 \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$  valid in all cases  $p > 2$ .